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**2021 MINUTES of Fair Board Meeting
Monday, JUNE 7, @ 6:00 PM
Boundary County Fair Board Room**

Call to Order of the Monthly Board Meeting-- 6:07 p.m.

In Attendance: Ken Goggia, Ben Robertson, Bert Wood
Guests: Levi Falck, Paula Burt, Liz Wood, Eric Lederhos, Debbie H

Levi Falck – PA System Wood is rotten so it isn't holding the eyelets. Would like to put wiring underground. Levi showed a map that Eric put together pertaining to where conduit would be run. Availability of product is limited right now because of delay of stuff coming out of China. Amps need to be stronger. Everything is working in the Outdoor Arena. Tested last September, used new speakers out there. They work great, and are super clear. Keep old amp for a spare. New amps are \$1,250 each. Suggests replacing both. Ben asked how much would it cost to bury the wire, perhaps not all at the same time, but T off of it later on to add on buildings, but begin with the main line. Eric said this is a low voltage job. Don't need to bury it more than a foot. Eric has heavy equipment. Recommends mini excavator. Run cat5 or 6. Suggests we run two conduits one for speaker wire, one for internet – to avoid static/noise, but bury them both together. Eric can locate power lines easily. Ben asked is this something Eric and Levi could get done by fair. Answer – YES. Won't take long to dig a foot deep trench and get conduit buried. Eric will get us a quote for what was discussed on the map. Cat 5 can pop up at each building as we are ready. Anytime you put in a switch in different buildings it will rebroadcast further down the network. It could also run the cameras. Eric suggests IP cameras – IP protocol. Ben said 10 cameras should cover everything on the grounds. Would Eric be willing to take that on. Eric said he could. Ben asked for a simplified quote in layman's terms – with an itemized breakdown.

Debbie Higgins with 4-H stated she was here to solidify partnership between fair, 4-H and FFA. They have appreciated the use of the facility. She came up with some figures of time and money spent by the groups for fairgrounds projects. (she will email the list to Jodi tomorrow). Would like to have a standard of volunteer and monetary donations to the fairground seen as an exchange for being able to use the facilities. She wants an understanding so everyone is on the same page, and all parties feel the arrangements are equitable. Next year the plan is for 4-H to choose a couple days per month for the meetings. Ben added that the fairgrounds is paid for with tax payer money. The March 2020 Fee Waiver Policy was reviewed. Bert wants to see the community use it. Debbie said they are more than happy to do more at the fair grounds in the way of service if needed. She understands that if a paying venue comes in, that 4-H would be bumped. They understand that. Paula and Chris understood from past years that the Horse Arena would be prepped one day per week. Ken voiced a concern about how much is needed? Debbie said she and Sharon Comer discussed it and it does NOT need to happen every week, so don't feel obligated to work the arena every week. Chris hopes to make arrangements with Road and bridge to bring their watering truck and get it done in 15-30 minutes. Paula mentioned that if the arena doesn't get watered, a dust cloud ends up in the middle of the ball field and games. 4-H needs to spray it down if it is creating a dust cloud.

Ben asks that ALL 4-H information and reservations come through Debbie, and from Debbie to Jodi, so that the Fair knows who is supposed to be making appointments and who isn't.

Chris asked about the panels that had been requested for the cattle sorting clinic. Does the fair want him to supply the labor for that request? Do we charge them? Debbie said that each group needs to be doing their own work. Ben and Chris thought it would only take 15 minutes to get the panels out of the beef barn. Then set them out there and let 4-H put them where they want them.

Total donations from 4-H and FFA in money, time, equipment, etc is estimated at \$29, 599 over the past 10 years. Debbie Higgins will get the list of those donations to the Fair Office.

May 3, 2021 Minutes approval: Ken motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Bert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Maintenance/Administrator Report

Chris: Bleachers were scraped by 4-H. Was going to have Bo paint. Chris bought 5 gallons. Board thinks it will require more paint than that.

Board discussed getting rid of the lines between the seats and paint it all brown.

Jodi: (see admin report)

Facilities, Expense/Budget worksheet– Ken motioned to accept the expenses as presented at \$4796.79. Bert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Bills Paid \$ 1,928.71
- Payroll \$ 2868.08 (includes taxes)
- Rental Security Refunds \$ 1,050.00

Income Report

- Deposits \$ 3,476.89

Old Business –

- Discuss decisions for the Wildlife Barn, and any progress on the Grant funding. Jodi had emailed Howard at the USDA Grant office. They didn't need anything from us, and they were working on things from their end.
- Arbor Day Celebration report. A good number of kids and parents showed up. Planted the shrubs and tree. Chris may need to put a small snow diverter above each shrub. Photos were posted on Facebook. The paperwork for reimbursement for the Grant have been submitted.

New Business –

- Iron Memories Motorcycle group needs large area for displaying at the Fair. Parks&Rec said we are welcome to use the area between tennis courts and trees. Discuss Fee. Ken motioned to label it as an 'exhibit' and not charge a fee. Bert seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- VEC- discuss alternative uses for fair time. Paula suggested move 4-H to VEC. Liz suggested the Mennonite School /Church (on Moonshadow) PRICE? Ben suggested half price to get someone in there. Ben doesn't see an issue if we have two hamburger stands. Paula will look up some names of possible interested parties and get back to me with the contacts. Base price of VEC in normally \$950. Ken motioned that we lower the price to \$750 + \$200 deposit and tax. Bert seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discuss scheduling a Board Workshop. The Board feels like this was covered in the discussion with 4-H tonight.
- What are the rules and procedures for boarding Horses in the Outdoor Arena corrals? Board agreed that we need something posted. Put up a sign You MUST authorize your stay with Fair office. Use facility at your own risk. contact information, check in with board office to be sure there aren't any events. 72 hour maximum stay.

JODI: CALL INSURANCE to see if there are any liability issues with animals staying over.

- Dutch Oven Cooking at Fair? No where to put it on the Calendar this year because we moved the Concert to Saturday - table for next year.
- Discussion for Paula being the fair office helper over the summer. Extra help usually came in the middle of June on and off. Two weeks before fair she would come regularly. Fair week full time. Paula's schedule will allow her to do that. She will stop in and help me as needed, beginning next week.
- Fair Royalty. The Board met with the three Fair Royalty applicants prior to the Board Meeting. They were Sierra Petesch, Cade Jelinek, and Wyatt Hanner. Ken motioned to table the decision until next meeting. Bert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session-

- Discuss pay increase for Office Administrator. Ken motioned to increase pay to \$15.25 per hour retroactive effective May 3rd, 2021. Bert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Ken motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 pm. Bert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Next meeting: July 4th will be observed on Monday July 5th, so board meeting is moved to TUESDAY JULY 6, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Jodi Stoddard, Fair Administrator

Approved by:

Ben Robertson, Chairman